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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 121

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 16, 2006, please consider the following remarks below. Applicants further submit a list of the Pending Claims (see Exhibit A).

REMARKS

The Examiner has required a restriction under 35 U.S.C. § 121 to one of the following inventions:

- I. Claims 1-17, drawn to an organic acid incorporated edible antimicrobial film, classified in class 424, subclass 439.
- II. Claims 18-38, drawn to a method of making an organic acid incorporated edible antimicrobial film, classified in class 424, subclass 439.